Vigilance Committee.

69. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state after enquiry whether there is no Vigilance Committee formed by the Travancore Government, and if there is, why our Government have not followed the Travancore Government in this matter, and whether such a committee will be formed in onr State ?

Mr. V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.—No Vigilance Committee has been formed by the Travancore Government. The second part of the question, therefore, does not arise.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—There is a Vigilance Committee in Travancore. I have called for the papers, and when I get them, I shall place them on the table.

The assignment of forest areas.

70. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state the total area

(a) of forest assigned to the public in the course of five years from 1097 to 1101 ;

(b) what is the area out of this assigned to the so-called depressed classes ;

(c) the total area of *pudual* land assigned to the public in the period referred to above and of this what percentage was given to the so-called depressed classes ?

Mr. P. Damodara Menon.—(a), (b) & (c). The Member is referred to the statement given as Appendix II in answer to question No. 326 of the legislative session of 1102 (page 626).

The scheme for the better sanitation of Kunnamkulam.

71. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table "the scheme for the better sanitation of the town" (Kunnamkulam) referred to in answer to question No. 151 (c) of the last budget session and the scheme formed in 1099 by the Road Improvement Committee and approved by the Government (vide answer to supplementary question), and to state whether the scheme approved by the Government has been fully carried out; and if not, what is it that still remains to be done ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—Vide answer to question No. 475 of the last session.

Medical aid to Parlom, etc., Villages.

72. Srimati T. Madhavi Amma.—Will the Government be pleased to state the nearest Government Hospital or Dispensary that gives medical aid to the inhabitants of Parlom

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Chevvur and Pallippuram and the distance thereto ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—The nearest Government Hospitals present are the Civil and the Maternity Hospitals at Trichur, and the distance from Trichur to Parlom, Chevvur and Pallippuram is 6, 5 and 7 miles respectively.

Srimati T. Madhavi Amma.—Will the Government be pleased to state why they have not opened a dispensary in all these places?

President.—The question asked is why the Government have not opened a dispensary in any one of these villages, Parlom, Chevvur and Pallippuram for the purpose of giving medical aid, since these villages are far from Trichur.

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—The only dispensary which would serve these villages will be the one at Cherppu, and we will be opening it in 1103.

President.—How far will it be from these villages?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—Between two to three miles.

Srimati T. Madhavi Amma.—Here no such answer is given. What is given is the nearest hospitals are the Trichur hospitals, and they are 6 and odd miles away from these villages.

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—It was since this answer was given that the Government have accepted my proposal to open a dispensary at Cherppu. That will be opened after the passing of the budget, in the beginning of 1103. That is all what I have to say now.

Child carried away by a dog in the Trichur Maternity Hospital.

73. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Will the Government be pleased to inquire and state —

(a) whether the body of a child was bitten and carried away by a dog from the Maternity Hospital, Trichur;

(b) who was in charge of the Hospital then; and

(c) from where was the body recovered ?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) Yes, of a still born child.

(b) Sub-Assistant Surgeon Gouri Amma was on duty then.

(c) From within 50 yards away from the Hospital and within five or eight minutes.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—The answer to sub-division (a) is "Yes, a still born child." Were there not persons employed in the Hospital to carry away the dead body of the child and bury it?

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